In re Appln. of TANAKA et al. Application No. 09/209,454

## **REMARKS**

In the course of preparing the Appeal Brief, Appellants' representative noticed, for the first time, that claim 19 includes a term without antecedent basis. In order to correct this informality, which was not mentioned in any Official Action, Appellants now propose to make a non-substantive amendment to claim 19. Entry of the Amendment is earnestly solicited to avoid an unnecessary issue. Since the Amendment simplifies the appeal, its entry is appropriate pursuant to 37 CFR 1.116.

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